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¹ A long time ago, when ...
the land was dried up with famine,
a man from [Israel] ... left his home
... to live as a foreigner in the land of [Jordan].
He traveled with his wife and their two sons.

² His name was Elimelech,
and his wife was Naomi ...

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³ but soon after, Elimelech died
leaving Naomi in the care of her sons.
⁴ Each son married a woman from [Jordan]
—one was named Orpah, the other Ruth—
and they lived together for 10 years
⁵ before [the sons] died also...

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⁷ Naomi prepared to return ... to [Israel],
leaving the place where she had lived.

Naomi [said] (to Orpah and Ruth):

⁸ “You have accompanied me far enough;
you must both return to ...
your mothers’ care and your people.

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⁸ “... May the Eternal show His loyal love to you just as you demonstrated it to my dead sons and me.

⁹ I hope He will bring you new husbands and that you will find the rest you deserve in their homes.”

She drew close, kissed them,
and turned to go on her way, alone

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⁹ But Orpah and Ruth wailed and sobbed,
crying out to her:

¹⁰ “Do not leave us!

We insist you take us with you
to live with you and your people.”

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¹⁰ Naomi [insisted]:

¹¹ “Go back to your homes, my daughters.

What possible reason would you have
for returning with me?...

¹³ It is obvious that the Eternal
has acted against me.

My life is much too bitter
for you to share with me.”

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¹⁴ At this Orpah and Ruth
wailed and wept again.

Then Orpah kissed Naomi, said goodbye,
and returned ...

Yet Ruth refused to let go of Naomi.

¹⁶ Ruth [pressed Naomi]:

“Stop pushing me away,
insisting that I stop following you!”

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¹⁶ ... Wherever you go, I will go.

Wherever you live, I will live.

Your people will be my people.

Your God will be my God.

¹⁷ Wherever you die,

I will also die and be buried there near you.

May the Eternal One punish me ... if

anything besides death comes between us.

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¹⁸ When Naomi heard this
and saw Ruth's resolve,
she stopped trying
to talk her out of returning to [Israel].

¹⁹ The two women went on
together to Bethlehem ...

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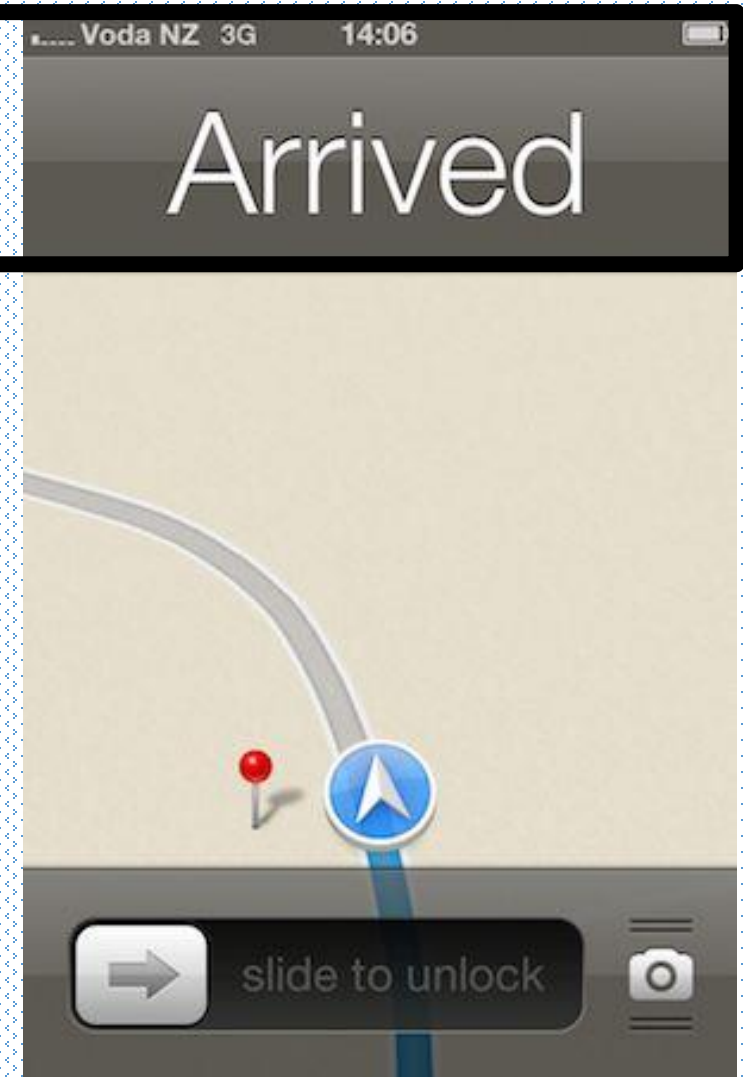
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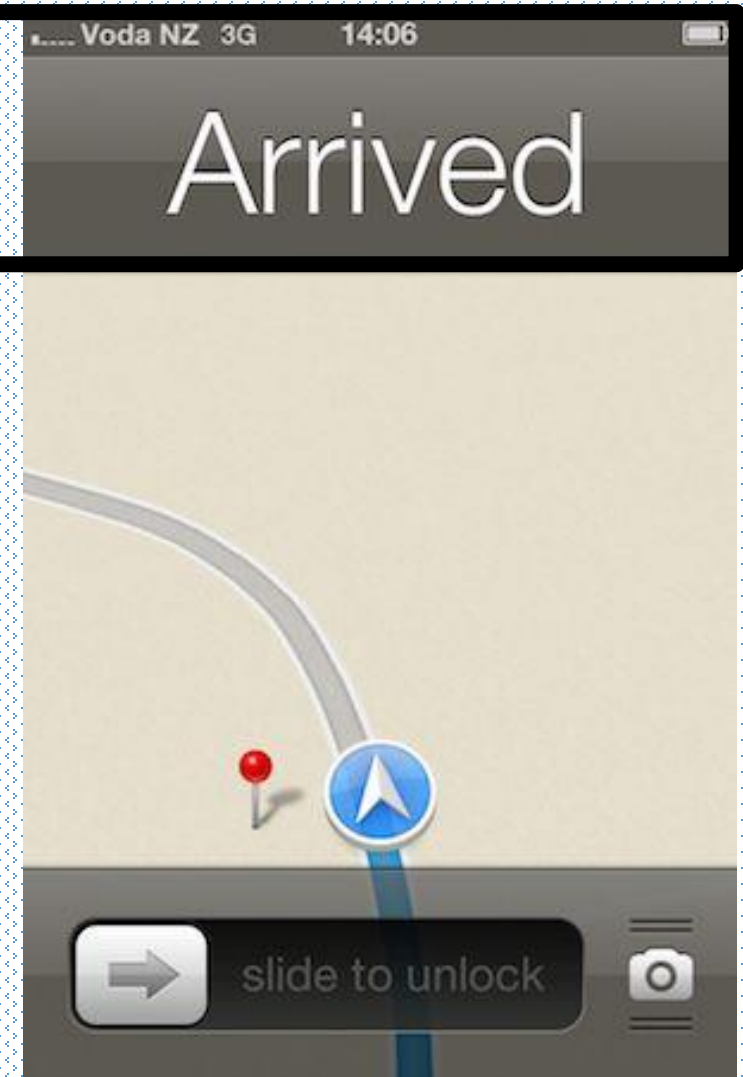
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A lesson in ancient Hebrew!

“Loyal love” = ^che-sed’

Ruth 3:8 *The Voice*

⁸ Boaz: “May the Eternal bless
you, my daughter,
for the loyal love
you are showing now
is even greater than
what you showed before.”

Psalm 136:26 *The Voice*

²⁶ Let your heart overflow
with praise to the True God of heaven,
for His faithful love lasts forever.

Ruth 1:8 *The Voice*

A lesson in ancient Hebrew... and koine Greek!

“Loyal love” = ‘he-sed’ = agape’

Matthew 22:37-39 *The Voice*

³⁷ “Love the Eternal One your God
with all your heart
and all your soul and all your mind.”

³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment.

³⁹ And the second is nearly as important,
“Love your neighbor as yourself.”

John 13:34-35 *NASB*

³⁴ A new commandment I give to you,
that you love one another,
even as I have loved you,
that you also love one another.

³⁵ By this all will know
that you are My disciples,
if you have love for one another.”





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